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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Security

ATTENTION: Chief, Security Control Staff

VIA: Security Officer, OTR

SUBJECT: Request for Approval to Invite Selected Department of State Employees to Attend a short "Korean Familiarization" Course Conducted by the Office of Training.

1. Security approval is desired to invite selected personnel from the "R" Area of the Department of State to attend a "Korean Familiarization" course to be conducted by this office especially for two groups totaling 14 persons in FE. The course content consists of an introduction to: the McCune-Reischauer system of romanization, the Korean phonetic script, prominent geographic and personal names and Chinese characters for same, and use of the Korean commercial telegraphic code. The course will meet for one two-hour session a week for 10 weeks.

2. Content of the course is completely unclassified. All FE personnel participating in this course are overt, Headquarters personnel. State personnel will come only from the "R" Area. A certificate of Top Secret clearance can be arranged.

3. If approved, it is suggested that the hours be scheduled for a time when the SO briefing room (1400 "I" Building) is available, thereby keeping movements within the building at a minimum.

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Director of Training

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